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SYSTEM FOR RECEIVING ORDER FOR MANUFACTURE OF SEMICONDUCTOR
WAFER

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- ☒ 2. Relevance of non-English language reference No. 4 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. Reference Nos. 1-3 were cited in a counterpart foreign application. An English language version of the foreign search report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 4. English-language Abstracts of non-English language reference Nos. 1-4 are attached hereto.

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5. A computer-generated English translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office ([<http://www.jpo.go.jp>]), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See References 1 and 2.

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